Amendments to the Substitute Specification

Please replace the paragraph bridging pages 1 and 2 of the Substitute Specification with the following amended paragraph:

However, since the EVOH is hydrophilic, solubility in hot water is high, and when the EVOH is used as the intermediate layer of a multilayered film for boiling or retort, it is dissolved during a treatment with hot water, and in the multilayered film may ~~causes~~ cause delamination. In order to improve the defect, a composition in which a polyamide resin is compounded in the EVOH is utilized as the multilayered film for boiling or retort as the intermediate layer.

Please replace the paragraph bridging pages 2 and 3 of the Substitute Specification, as amended by the Amendment After Final Rejection filed February 19, 2009, with the following further amended paragraph:

Consequently, as a result of repeating intensive studies under the background, the present inventors found that a laminated article, comprising a layer (I) containing an EVOH (A) and a polyamide resin (B) and a layer (II) of a polyamide resin (C) which is adjacent to the layer (I) directly or via an adhesive resin layer,

wherein ~~t an the~~ EVOH (A) contains a sodium salt (M1) and a bivalent metal salt (M2), and an amount ratio (M1/M2) of the sodium salt (M1) to the bivalent metal salt (M2) is 0.01 to 15 calculated in terms of metal weight,

further comprising 3 to 50 ppm (parts per million) of a phosphorus compound calculated in terms of phosphorus and 10 to 1000 ppm of a hindered phenol antioxidant satisfies the above-mentioned object, and achieved completion of the present invention.